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In re Application of: Khare, et al. Examiner: Patel, Hetul. B. Application No: 09/752,534 Art Unit: 2186 Filed: December 29, 2000 For: A Mechanism For Efficiently Supporting the Full MESI (Modified, Exclusive, Shared, Invalid) Protocol In a Cache Coherent Multi-Node Shared Memory System

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> PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(A)

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a One-month extension of time to file an Office Action Response. The extended period expires December 18, 2004.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-0221 and is requested to notify us of the same.

Respectfully submitted.

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